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Corps awards contract for Harvey Canal floodwall

NEW ORLEANS – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, New Orleans District awarded a \$48.5 M contract today to Cajun Contractors, Inc. of Baton Rouge for construction of approximately 3900 linear feet of floodwall tying into the floodwall currently under construction along Peters Rd and running north past Boomtown Casino.

"This is the final Harvey Canal floodwall contract to be awarded in Jefferson Parish," said Sami Mosrie, Project Manager for floodwalls. "It will complete this portion of the flood protection system along Peters Road from the Harvey Canal Floodgate complex on the northern end to the Hero Pump Station on the southern end."

The T-walls will be built to an elevation +14 ft. using over 19,000 cubic yards of concrete. The foundation will require approximately 262,000 linear ft of steel H-piles, which reach about 50 miles when laid end to end. Each pile is approximately 130 feet long.

This project will provide a 100-year level of protection for an area which previously had no federal protection. The public safety of residents and businesses in the Harvey area will increase significantly at completion of the Harvey Canal floodwall projects.

Under post-Katrina legislation, the federal government will pay for 100 percent of the project. The Corps is working in coordination with its non-federal partners, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development, the Southeast Louisiana Flood Protection Authority-West, and the West Jefferson Levee District.